

Mrs. Newkirk Of Brooklyn Passes

(From The Brooklyn Chronicle)

As the old year was drawing to a close, Mrs. Fannie Newkirk, longtime resident of Brooklyn and vicinity, closed her life of 73 years.

Though born in Illinois, she came to Iowa as a small child and for many years before and after her marriage to Albert S. Newkirk, she enjoyed farm life. After her husband's death, she successfully managed their large farm for several years.

After removing to Brooklyn with her one child, Gertrude, she lived a busy and useful life. Although for fifteen years Mrs. Newkirk was kept very closely at home with arthritis, which followed a serious attack of flu. She has never lost interest in the larger problems of our country.

Being an omnivorous reader she followed closely all public affairs, both national and local. Horticulture was always one of her chief interests. She maintained

her church relations, although unable to attend services for many years. She kept up her membership in her missionary society and followed its studies year after year.

Children of the neighborhood, as well as grownups, loved to call upon her. She delighted yearly in the Christmas carols at her door. Surely such a life of varied interests should be an inspiration to many of her neighbors and friends.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, January 2, 1933, from the Presbyterian church, conducted by the Rev. E. W. F. Holler. The Presbyterian choir was in their place at the services as a tribute to her memory and the interest she had in them. They frequently had met at her home.

Mrs. Newkirk was an active member of the Columbian club and an enthusiastic sponsor of the local library and every other civic enterprise which was for the betterment of the community.

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